

Having attended the recent consultation event regarding the proposed changes in my local area I wanted to make the following points:- 1. The maps of the proposed changes made available by the Council are of very poor quality and as they are not very clearly marked with any main landmarks. I was unaware of how this local plan would so badly affect our lovely village until the Parish Council brought it to my attention 2. I object to the loss of our green spaces and the leisure trail/cycle path. Under the plan the new garden city would probably have many facilities but at what cost to the existing Grappenhall, Thelwall and Appleton residents?

3. It seems inconceivable that major changes to our roads are so vague in the plan at this point as surely transport is crucial to such a huge and significant redevelopment. Nowhere in the document does it mention being mindful of the impact of major road changes for current residents, the resulting noise, poor air quality from increased traffic and depreciation of house values for properties close to the new high level road which at one point was depicted on the north west news programme as a 100 foot flyover! Questions about this were dismissed at the consultation event as 'it may not happen as transport links have not been decided'. This was not at all helpful to residents who would be living close to such an eyesore. Whilst I appreciate that the flyover is not a term used in the plan just yet, nevertheless any new canal crossing and road will be significant.